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SUBJECT: BUSINESSMEN'S VISAS FOR SAUDI ARABIA

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1. ON 7/28/75 CONGEN DHAHRAN INFORMED EMBASSY IT HAD NOTED ARTICLE IN SAUDI NEWSPAPER CITING MINISTRY OF INTERIOR CIRCULAR DESCRIBING AVAILABILITY OF SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOUR FOREIGN BUSINESSMED VISA AT PORT

OF ENTRY AT DISCRETION OF DISTRICT GOVERNORS.

2. IN CLARIFYING, BOTH CONGEN DHAHRAN AND AMEMBASSY JIDDA CHECKED WITH PASSPORT AUTHORITIES WHO CONFIRMED REPORT BUT WITH CAVEATS THAT SPONSOR OF VISITOR (E.G. ARAMCO, LOCAL BUSINESSMEN) MUST REQUEST AUTHORIZATION FOR VISA IN ADVANCE FROM PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS EITHER IN

JIDDA, RIYADH, DHAHRAN OR ANY EMIRATE IN THE KINGDOM AND PERMISSION MUST BE AT AIRPORT PRIOR VISITOR'S ARRIVAL.

3. APPARENTLY SAUDI GOVERNMENT HAS NOT CIRCULATED AUTHORITY AND INSTRUCTIONS TO ITS MISSIONS ABROAD. MFA REPLY TO EMBASSY'S REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION OF PRACTICE STILL PENDING.

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